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# United States Gymnastics Federation

## Editorial



### Where do we go from here ???

Hundreds of thousands of words have been written about Gymnastics since the Olympics in Munich. The names of Korbut, Tournebise, Jant, Lazakovitch and Zischold and especially KORBUT, dominate the harsh praises heaped on Gymnastics. Gymnastics in the World has never been so popular because of the beauty, daring, risk and appeal that these girls display. What about the American Girls? Cathy Rigby has, without a doubt, received more publicity for herself and Gymnastics than any other gymnast from the United States but now has retired at age 20. All of our girls did a tremendous job in Munich by finishing 4th - BUT - WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Can we sustain the loss of Cathy Rigby and Linda Metheny and move upward without them? I look at the 50 girls who averaged over 8.50 in 1972 and I say YES! Here are the steps-the United States Gymnastics Federation is taking to insure our advance:

1. We have invited the Hungarian National Teams to tour the United States from February 16 to March 4th. This will provide our girls with a series of head-on matches with the team that finished 3rd in Munich. There will be opportunities to watch their work-outs and learn from them. It also will give more than just the top 6 girls this opportunity, since just one match will be official, and we may use other girls in other matches (unofficial). It also will allow the American public to compare the two teams side by side.

2. The USGF Women's Committee has a terrific qualifying program that is not only ready for 1973, but also ready for 1974, with all State, Regional, Junior National, Senior National, Elite and Final Trials for the World Games in Varna, Bulgaria. This has taken immense planning and all competitors know the dates, places, etc. so that their training can point toward these dates and places.

3. We have encouraged the formation of the Independent Gymnastics Clubs Association. Their objective is to give Age Group Gymnastics help and guidance and to secure a voice for the 35,000 to 50,000 gymnasts in the USGF. Our girl champions are springing from these ranks and they have made a good beginning by organizing at the USGF Congress in Denver.

4. Since the Olympics, and in 1973, we will send girls to meet with the top girls of the World in Japan, Russia, France, Germany, Sweden, England and Bulgaria. We believe that by exposure in large meets in Europe, that our girls gain valuable experience in competition and in practicing with girls of other countries of the World.

BUT - IS THIS ENOUGH? I believe one more step, at least, must be done annually. I believe that it would be profitable to conduct a Camp for the top 50 Girls of the United States for two weeks. The best coaches in the country could be invited to lecture and give demonstrations at the top level only. Such discussions, lectures and demonstrations could be done without a competition hanging over the heads of all, rational thinking could take over, discussions could be reached without the normal stresses. Coaches could decide as to future training camps for our World Games' Teams or Olympic Teams, Coaches, Managers. I am certain that the USGF would like to work-out a camp along these lines, and will explore the possibilities in the ensuing months. I know where we are going from here, don't you?

*(The Editorial in the April issue will deal with Men's Gymnastics - WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?)*

**MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE USGF WOMEN'S TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**  
 November 17-19, 1972 - USGF CONGRESS - Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colorado

The meeting was called to order by the USGF Technical Chairperson, Jackie Fie. Roll call was taken. The following persons were present at one or more of the various meetings of the Technical Committee:

<u>Coach</u>					
Region I	Dele Flansas	Present	West	Wanda Gładowich	Absent
Region II	Karen Petrole	Present		Dele Flansas - new rep	
Region III	Sharon Weber	Present	Inter-		
Region IV	Sharon Fink	Present	Mid-	Red Hill	Present
Region V	Dele Treiber	Present	West-		
Region VI	Sharon Valley	Present	West	Dick Mulvihill	Present
Region VII	Betsy Hanley - substitute				
	Ernie Weaver	Absent	East	Muriel Grosfeld	Present
Region VIII	Deleone Dant	Present			

Also present were JoAnne Pasquale, new Region I rep, and the following Regional Chairpersons, Verna French - Region II, Ruth Ann McBride - Region VIII, Cheryl Wagner - Region I, Connie Robertson - Region IV.

## II. ANNUAL REPORT

Jackie indicated her annual report in the agenda, given to all present. There was a discussion of the development of the evaluation of judges. Jackie said that so far, it has only proven which judges are high or low or very erratic. It needs further investigation and all present felt this should be continued.

## III. Review of Developmental Chart in the Rules and Policies for Competition

It was decided that the Technical Committee would entreat petitioners to have exceptional 11 year olds move to Regional and National meets if their all-around score is in the 800's.

It was also discussed whether or not various regions or states could be allowed to change the scores required to move competitors to higher level meets. California wanted to change to score of 6.00 to 6.50 needed to advance a girl from the local to the state level competition. It was decided that the scores must stay the same, but that it would be the recommendation of the Technical Committee to those areas that are having large numbers of competitors that they have district meets and allow only a certain number of competitors to advance to the state meet.

## Age Group Competition Schedule for State, Regional, Junior and Senior National - 1973

Review of Regional Meet Dates - All Regional meets have been scheduled. It was decided that the Regional Technical Director will rule on all petitions allowing girls to enter the Regional Meet if they are unable to qualify through the proper channels. Copies of all such rulings must be sent to the Coach and girl concerned and to Jackie Fie, Shirley Bryan, and the Regional Director of the region concerned.

The Regional Technical Director will also serve as the meet referee for their regions meet. If she is unable to attend the Regional Meet, the meet referee must be approved by the Technical Director, Jackie Fie.

Junior National Meet - This meet will be held April 12 - 14, 1973, Denver Colorado - Red Hill - Meet Director, 10937 West 44th, Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033. Sharon Weber will act as the Meet Referee. She will recommend two sets of judges, which must be approved by the Technical Director, Jackie Fie. Judges will be notified before February 1, 1973. All injury petitions for this meet must go to Jackie Fie.

Senior National Meet - This meet will be held April 26 - 28, 1973, Macungie, Pennsylvania - Mr. and Mrs. Strauss - Meet Directors - 10 Juniper Road, Macungie, Pennsylvania 19062 - Phone - 215-356-4742. Deleone Dant will act as the Meet Referee. The judges have been decided for this meet, and will be contacted before February 1, 1973.

V. New Design for Elite Competitions – Jackie Fie discussed a new proposal for Elite Competitions and the complete program has been published. It is up to the Regional Chiefcady and the Regional Technical Director to get this information to all the coaches in their area.

VI. Outline Report on "Format for USGF Competitions" – Greta Treiber – Greta reported that she now has forty-eight pages for this book and that it will soon be ready for printing. The Technical Chairman will announce the availability of this booklet when ready.

VII. Report of Equipment Companies – Recommended Mat Specifications –

Horse Vaulting – The horse vaulting landing area shall be padded with a basic mat a minimum of 18' long under a landing mat a minimum of 6' wide x a minimum of 12' long. The total thickness of the combined mats shall be 6" (+ or - 1/2").

Elite Championships – Technical Committee recommended research on a padded runway 20 m long to be provided for Elite competitions beginning in January, 1973. For general information:

- All basic mats shall be 1 1/2" + or - 1/2" thick
- All landing mats shall be 3-1/2" + or - 1/2" thick
- Minimum size 6' x 12'

It was also stated that landing mats when requiring folds, should have these folds at 1/2 and 3/4 mark of the mat.

Asymmetric Bars – The uneven bars shall stand centered over a basic mat a minimum of 6' wide x a minimum of 30' long. A landing mat shall be provided. Each landing mat to be a minimum of 6' wide x a minimum of 12' long. The total thickness of the combined basic and landing mats shall be 6" (+ or - 1").

Balance Beams – The balance beam shall stand centered in basic mats covering a minimum area of 12' wide. The entire area between the beams must be covered. Any combination of basic mats to cover this overall area can be used as long as the mats do not overlap each other. One mat 6' x 12' shall be provided at each end of the beam. A landing mat shall be provided in the landing area with a minimum dimension of 6' x 12'.

Floor Exercise – The floor exercise area shall be padded. This padded area shall be 42' wide (+ or - 6") x 42' long (+ or - 6") and shall have a maximum thickness of 2". It is suggested that this padded area shall have a minimum thickness of 1" (Official mat specifications and drawings will be mailed at a later date).

VIII. California Proposals & Corrections in "Rules and Policies" – The following proposals were requested by the California Association:

- A. Change page 4 of the "Rules and Policies" concerning the Sectional Meet C.2.c: "A minimum of 20 points earned in Compulsories and an All-Around score of 40 points." Also, page 4, C.3.c to read "A minimum of 24 points earned in compulsories and an All-Around score of 48 points."
- B. They would like a form for turning in protests. It was suggested that rather than one set form, the coaches be reminded that they must only compare the routine being protested to the first routine performed and must state what they felt was good about the routine as compared to the first routine.
- C. Children's Ches (10 & 11 year olds) competitive structure was reviewed. Class III – Beginning Compulsories only. Class II – Intermediate Compulsories only. Class I – Advanced Compulsories plus optional work. Children's Division culminates with the State Competition.

- D. There was a question as to when a girl should move to the next highest level when she has placed in the top three all-around just before the State Meet. It was decided that the girl may remain at the same level (Class III or II) until after the State Meet if she wishes. Gymnasts in Class III and II should move to the next class after receiving a score of 34.00 for Compulsory Exercise (8.5 average) in the State Meet.
- E. The question of Elite gymnasts in the State and Regional Meets. They may not participate unless they have scores less than 8.75 and thereby failed to qualify for the Elite Championship. A gymnast who fails to qualify for the Elite may go directly to the Junior or Senior National Meet without entering a Regional, although it is permissible to enter the Regional.
- F. Concerning children's competition, it was discussed and agreed that individual states and/or coaches in a particular area may have a "gentleman's agreement" as to when children should compete. The USGF will not sanction meets for children under 10 years old, however.
- G. Changing of the height of the uneven bars for children's competition – "Rules and Policies" page 5. (1) Under Children's Division, it should state: High Bar – 7' 2½" and Low Bar – 4'11" or adjusted to fit the individual girl. (2) Under Junior Division, it should now read: The regulation high bar may be lowered one or two notches and the low bar (4' 11") raised as necessary to fit the individual.
- H. "Rules and Policies" – page 5 III. B. 5 last sentence should read "until age change forces her to advance to another Age Group Division".
- I. "Rules and Policies" – page 5 III. E. – New score requirements of 70.00 AA or 8.75 average.
- J. "Rules and Policies" – page 4 C.6.c. – procedure and score has been amended by the new Elite Program for 2673-74. Page 4 c.6.d. – add: reduce "or raise".
- IX. Film of Olympic Compulsory Floor Exercise and Beam – Dick Mulvihill. This was shown to general meeting of Women's Committee.
- X. New Regional Technical Directors and State Technical Directors and new Directory. See the forms given to those present at the first meeting of Technical Committee. Appointments to be confirmed by early January.
- XI. Miscellaneous – (1) Australia's letter for USGF/DGWS written again for judges certification. It was decided to give them as much information as possible and to help them set up their own system of judges certification. It was not recommended that we actually certify their judges.  
(2) Contact Lenses – There have been numerous letters to the Technical Committee asking a ruling when there is a mechanical failure of contact lenses during a routine. Should the girl be allowed to repeat the routine concerned? The vote was unanimously for allowing the girl to repeat an exercise when she loses or has a contact slip to the side of the eye.  
(3) Difficulties not in the Code of Point:  
a. Glide kip ½ turn catch HB – medium  
b. Glide kip ½ turn change to a glide ½ turn catch HB – two mediums  
c. Glide straddle cut catch HB as a mount – medium  
d. Glide straddle cut catch L.B. to glide as a mount – superior. What if this is repeated in the exercise? It would be considered another superior, but if these are the only two superiors in the routine, then there should be a deduction for the composition.  
e. Squat circle on L.B. – no difficulty  
f. Straddle sale circle ½ turn from HB over L.B. to stomach whip on L.B. to a squat on L.B. – medium  
g. Cast off HB. to stomach whip on L.B. – no difficulty

- h. glide double leg overshoot grasp H.B. to a long hand kip — two mediums
- i. long hang back kip — superior
- j. Jump straddle  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn over H.B. — superior only if the turn occurs after the body has completely passed over H.B.
- k. Needle scale on beam — no difficulty
- l. Whip back to split — medium if without use of hands
- m. Tuck jumps in series on beam — not superior if done in series
- n. Toe rise — medium should be to full extension

4. Supplementary Study Guide for Judges Training Clinics

- a. Letter from Helen Sjursen — Proposals to change FIG. Code of Points — This was dismissed because of the authors' lack of understanding of the structure of the FIG., and the United States inability to make such changes.

Supplementary study guide for judges training clinics. This idea seems to have some merit. It was decided to let Helen continue the study and to come up with a "study guide" that would be approved by the USGF Judges Training Committee. Debra Dent was instructed to correspond with her.

- b. Letter from Gail Davis — Her letter was proposing a new formula for judging junior and senior high competition. It was felt the letter was not clear and there was no further discussion.

- c. Queen's Judging Course given by Nagy — There are no official notes accepted from this course and none should be circulated.

5. Possible coaches' evaluation of certification film. The film will be sent to the coaches for scoring and comment during January of 1973.

XII: Divers — Whenever business is conducted by any official of the USGF Women's Committee, it is that official's obligation to send copies of that business to her State Technical Director, Regional Technical Director, Regional Chairman, Shirley Bryan, and Jackie Fin.

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**NOTICE OF ELITE FLOOR EXERCISES — AVAILABLE WITH MUSIC (on tape).....\$5.00**  
**FILMS** of these exercises will be available in March or April



Olga Korbut, Olympic sensation performs during the Olympics on the balance beam, one of the events in which she earned a gold medal (just in case you didn't know already)

EXCERPTS FROM MINUTES OF THE UNITED STATES ASSOCIATION FOR INDEPENDENT  
GYMNASTICS CLUBS - UNITED STATES GYMNASTICS FEDERATION CONGRESS -  
DENVER HILTON HOTEL - November 17-19, 1972

Graham Bartlett: This is our first meeting. People talked for years after each Congress, but never did anything. We're going to get it going.

Age group gymnastics is alive and growing, but it needs help and guidance. Our objective is to give it the guidance it needs to grow further. This is where the scene is in gymnastics, but we are not represented on the USGF Governing Council. We feel it will be stronger if we are a part and the USGF will be stronger.

The Governing Council is made up of national organizations which have votes on national policies:

NCAA	4	Am. Sokols	1
NFSA	3	YMCA	1
NCA	2	NCCA	1
AAHPER	1	NACGA	1
Am. Turners	1	NGJA	1

How many of these do you belong to? Many independent gymnastic clubs are in existence. They represent a larger number of gymnasts than any other group in the United States. There are 25-50,000 gymnasts in private clubs and we need a voice. We want to help with the USGF and we can complement it tremendously. (The figures come from Dr. Lepstad's book, "The History of the Development of the USGF")

Nomination and election of Officers:

Nominated for President: Tom Heinicke was nominated, it was then moved that the nominations for president be closed, seconded, passed.

Nominated for Vice-President:

	No. of Votes
Graham Bartlett from Gymnastics Unlimited	27
Bill Robertson from Corner House GC	4
Bud Marquette from SCATS (declined)	.
Jim Lawro (declined)	.
Marie Bibko from Scottsdale, Arizona	22

Nominated for Secretary:

Rene Henderson (declined) (will further thru news media)	
Becky Donning	Houston
Marie Bibko	Arizona
Fritz Resser	California

Bud Marquette expressed the feeling that the secretary should be somewhere near Tom or Graham to facilitate communications. He moved that the Vice-President and the President appoint the secretary at least for this year. At this point, the group agreed and everyone withdrew their nominations and gave their secretaries to Tom and Graham to choose their own secretary.

Tom Heinicke: The purpose of this group will be to share experiences, give information on clubs, it helps the sport if we share ideas.

Mr. Lepstad was to have given a short talk on the History and Development of the USGF but he declined so that the business of organization could be completed.

Frank Barr: I am offering my help because of my experience. The independent gym clubs can serve a vital role in the development of gymnastics in this country. I have wondered why they have not organized before. We would welcome the organization as a vital addition. I have no vote in the USGF but do have influence. I do want you not to go so quickly that you become undemocratic. You must establish membership criteria and then get your voting delegates together. You must not step over basic principles, because it won't get you anywhere.

Mr. Barr mentioned that we must set up by-laws. Bud Marquette offered to turn over copies of by-laws of the SCATS organization to us to use as guidelines in drawing up our own by-laws. In order to get a vote on the USGF Governing Council, you must have one hundred members/vote. It was moved that a \$10.00 membership fee be charged each member club. Discussion revealed that this fee will be tax deductible. It will be used for mailings and travel of officials necessary to get things organized. The \$10.00 membership fee was passed and members paid on the spot.



Mr. Bare went on to say that he supports gymnastics in the schools and colleges, but it takes more time to develop a gymnast to full potential than any school can provide at any level. The gymnast with talent must go to the private club. He does not condemn school programs because he feels that if one program grows we all grow together. None controls all. He mentioned that the NCAA is the wealthiest in membership, sporting 4 out of the 18 votes on the Council.

Vern Elder of the YNCA: Is it possible that the talented gymnast can both serve his or her school and a private club?

Frank Bare: It depends upon where you live. Last year at the Western Clinic, no one from the High Schools in Tucson could participate because of the H.S. rules of the state. They have changed many rules in our favor.

Watson: How can we work in that direction? Some states are against any athletes taking part in any clinic.

Frank Bare: As a delegate to the National High School annual convention I push just a little each time I attend.

Dick Mulvihill: We should give more thought on having our gymnasts compete for both the H.S. and a private club. This has some disadvantages. We must think of the welfare of the gymnast.

Frank Bare: If a girl wants to be a High School gymnast this is fine. Some love to play. If you have a girl on a High School team who wants to go on, fine. We must be careful that we do not condemn a good program.

Jim Lucero spoke on Fund Raising (Public School of Gymnastics) - The Colorado Gymnastic Association is very free with ideas and words. Rod Hill and I are very close in sharing ideas on fund raising. Started four years ago and growing fast. The total fund for a team is very important. We used to take 6 girls for a dual meet. This year we will be taking more (20) and this costs money. The parents raise money for the kids. We have been to Long Beach, Fresno, Santa Clara for dual meets. We have 200 girls in the club. One hundred and forty of them are from the state and 60 are from out of state and come in once a month for help. We give them clinics. Our club started in our basement. We didn't know anything about gymnastics. Now we have a 60' x 110' building and adequate equipment. Here are some ideas for raising money: SELL CANDLES FOR CHRISTMAS, SELL RULES, TICKET SELLING CONTESTS FOR GYMNASTIC EVENTS; VOLUNTARY POTLUCK DINNERS, GARAGE SALES, SELL FOOD AT CONCESSION STANDS AT MEETS AND CLINICS (food donated by parents); PROMOTE MEETS, RAFFLES; FUND-RAISING DINNERS.

Question put to the floor: Should a small club do exhibitions free? The answer was if the group is using you to raise money - charge. If it is merely a service to your community, you should not charge. You must consider the value of such an event to your club. It gets you out in front of the public and is good publicity. One thing you can do is to hold a free clinic and then do an exhibition at the end and charge for it.

Insurance - An independent gym club needs more than accident insurance. It needs public liability insurance. Incorporation doesn't protect the company in case of accident. We wrote to 300 companies and 300 turned us down. Finally North West accepted us for \$200.00 per month.

Jim Gault: We experienced the same thing. Only the insurance we finally got costs us \$800.00 a year. We put \$200.00 down and pay \$60.00 per month. Coast Pacific Insurance - doesn't cover trampolines or diving. Showers are bad too - cause damage.

Bill Robertson, used to be an insurance salesman and wrote his own policy. We need a large organization to apply for insurance so we have enough capital behind us.

Lucero: We got our insurance from Steel City Investment Company for only \$40.00 a year - Box 140, Abrando Ave., Pueblo, Colorado.

Watson: That is a branch of Aetna. New York Continental Life or General gives a general sports coverage for \$1.70/year per kid (Medical is \$1.70/year and liability is same).

Nothing conclusive came out of the discussion on insurance, but it did prove that there are lots of possibilities to be investigated by the USAIGC.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by RENEE P. HENDERSHOTY

MINUTES OF THE U.S.G.F. MEN'S TECHNICAL MEETING  
HELD IN DENVER, COLORADO  
November 17, 1972

Mr. Frank Cumiskey called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

Thirty State Chairmen were present, as well as almost every Technical Chairman chosen by the U.S.G.F. to govern Technical matters in the States of our Union.

The first form of business was the approval of the compulsory exercises as printed in the U.S.G.F. Men's Rules. After a lengthy discussion, the exercises as designed were accepted as being adequate and well constructed for the different categories. The Chairmen had no objections if a State wished to revise slightly any part or continue with a special set of compulsories, as long as work and effort was being done in a constructive manner.

The Chairman spoke about the two letters previously mailed to appointed Chairmen, and reviewed again the main job ahead, namely, the conduct of meets, the development of clinics and programs and the appointment by the State Chairmen of other people in the State to assist in the overall operation of business.

Chairman, at the request of Mr. Coco and Mr. Wettstone, approved the merger of the Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania areas into one State organization.

A discussion followed the matter of joining, sanctioning of meets, etc. Chairman made it clear that there was no immediate membership drive, although the package deal was still in effect. Indicated that the State Technical Chairmen should handle sanctioning of state meets and that the purpose of this was just to assist the host and to guide them along proper eligibility lines. Gymnasts must not pay registration fees to the U.S.G.F. Registration is a State matter.

Long discussion followed concerning the problem where State Chairmen are already in existence. Mr. Cumiskey made it clear that the present appointments were made to get the ball rolling. States have a right to choose their own chairman on a yearly basis, as long as progress was in evidence.

Chairman made it clear that his office would be glad to receive orders for any of the items listed in the Newsletter and that gymnasts, coaches and officials should write directly to the Tucson office. He made it clear that the Federation office is extremely busy and that he hoped the State Chairmen and his committee would handle whatever business they could handle, without over-burdening the Director and his office staff.

A discussion on the concept for the U.S.G.F., "CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE U.S.A.," followed, and the format was accepted as follows:

The CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE USA is a new concept for USGF Elite Men's gymnastics, open to all amateur gymnasts from the U.S.A. who have either been selected or qualified through Regional meets. A total of 24 gymnasts -- six from 4 regions -- may participate.

The 4 regions are represented by six competing gymnasts of the Elite Class. These regions are identified by colors and USGF Flags as follows: WEST -- Gold, MID WEST -- Red, MID EAST -- White, and EAST -- Blue.

TYPE OF COMPETITION will be: (1) TEAM -- best five scores in compulsory and optional competitions per team are added to determine the team score. (2) ALL AROUND -- competition determined on basis of compulsory and optional routines on Thursday and Friday. (3) INDIVIDUAL FINALS -- competitions of best six gymnasts in six events on basis of Compulsory and Optional scores and the score obtained in the finals.

AWARDS - Only 24 All Around gymnasts will compete for awards.

TEAM - USGF medals for each member of the winning region.

ALL AROUND - USGF Lucite Figurines for the top 3 All Around place winners.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS - Special medals for the top three performers in each event.

REGIONAL SELECTION COMMITTEE will be composed of the Chairman from each State in the region. They will elect the coach, select the site of the regional trials, and select the final team.

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The format was accepted and the Chairman from each region met to discuss the method that would be used to select the team from each area. The Championship of the U.S.A. will be held at Penn State University on May 3, 4, 5, 1973.

The establishment of State Associations was discussed. Mr. Curmskey stated that each State Technical Chairman from each region met to discuss the method that would be used to select the team.

The establishment of State Associations was discussed. Mr. Curmskey stated that each State Technical Chairman should start a State Organization for the purpose of conducting the USGF Competitive program for that State. States that have representative State Organizations should be made aware of the function of the USGF Technical Chairman and should be given the opportunity to select their own Chairman for USGF Competitive gymnastics. A strict democratic program must be introduced to give all interested in gymnastics a voice.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Two above is a concise report of the first meeting of the Technical Chairmen from each state. Many of these Chairmen have organized their committees and are conducting many competitions. There are many grey areas at present and many problems that must be ironed out; however, to run one additional competition in each state is a beginning.

At the USGF Council meeting in December, the USGF Patch incentive award was adopted (USGF NEWS - DECEMBER, 1972). It was also proposed and passed that the Age Group Exercises can be conducted according to the level of ability in addition to the age. For example, Advanced Level Gymnasts can compete, in addition to their Age Group, with the exercises of their ability. In other words, the Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Exercises may be used in the Advanced Level. The reasoning is good, since only age does not place a gymnast in an ability level. Please make this change.

Please add the following names to your Technical Chairmen Committee:

NED CROSSLEY  
(For New York State)  
United States Military Academy  
West Point, New York

BERNIE MICHELS  
(For Maryland State)  
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# A REPORT ON THE TRAINERS' AND JUDGES' SCHOOL IN VARNA, BULGARIA

NOVEMBER 20-25, 1972

(BY MILDRED FRECHAL)

On November 18, Nera Sutphen and I arrived at the Sportpaleis in Varna, as representatives of the USQF Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics Committee. Two French delegates, whom we had met in Frankfurt while waiting for our Sofia plane, were with us.

Although the flight from Chicago to Frankfurt was only 7 1/2 hours, we did not reach Varna until the next afternoon about 30 hours later — unpredictable weather compelled an overnight stop in Sofia. Return flight was about the same, another night in Sofia after a delayed flight from Varna. I could not help recalling that on my first trip to Varna in 1958, the trip from Paris to Varna on the Orient Express did not take any more time than the plane trip from Frankfurt to Varna.

The Sportpaleis is a 5-story modern structure on a hill facing the Black Sea. This is in the Golden Sands area where the 1968 World's Championship gymnasts in Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics were housed and where they trained prior to the meet held in Varna proper. The rooms are comfortable. On the ground floor is a lecture room where films were projected and tests given, adjacent to the lecture room is a large gymnasium for practical work. The dining room is also on this floor. It is spacious and beautiful. Food was substantial.

It was necessary, however, to utilize another gymnasium. This one in Varna proper (about 10 miles from Sportpaleis). The Trainers' and Judges' sessions were scheduled for Monday, November 20th, but because of late arrival, the date was postponed to Tuesday, November 21st.

Twenty-four countries were represented, by 1, 2, or 3 delegates, totaling approximately 60 individuals. Because of the various languages, this group was divided into two sections — while section 1 worked in the Sportpaleis, section 2 was bussed to the Varna gymnasium. The area used by our section 1 in Varna had two approximately 40' x 40' carpeted floors. Many young Bulgarian school girls were training for either rhythmic or sports gymnastics in other parts of the building during the day. At noon, section 2, in which we were included, was bussed back to Sportpaleis for lunch, then back again to Varna for the afternoon session — next day this order was reversed and section 1 was bussed to Varna.

The faculty consisted of the F.I.G. Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics Committee of seven officials: Mme. Andreina Costa, President, Rome, Italy (jump rope), Mme. Henriette Abad, Budapest, Hungary (various subjects), Mme. Valentina Brown, Moscow, Russia (ribbon), Mme. Kveta Cerna, Prague, Czechoslovakia, (group work and author of compulsory Indian Club exercise for the 1973 Holland Championships), Mme. Ivanka Tchekarova, Sofia, Bulgaria (hoop), Mme. Suzanne Urynskiok, Berlin, Germany (judges' tests), Mme. Ingrid Foerster, Dusseldorf, Germany (ball).

The official language is French, but a number of translators were necessary because of the many languages used — German, Japanese, Spanish, Russian, Bulgarian, Yugoslav, Italian, Czech, Polish, Swedish, Korean and English. The Translator for the English countries — United States, Canada and New Zealand — was very helpful in many other ways during our stay in Varna. During the teaching of the Indian Club exercise by Mme. Kveta Cerna, and upon her request, I translated her Czech instructions in English.

On Friday evening a banquet was held, fine music by a four member group provided entertainment and all members received a lovely souvenir wine set of Bulgarian pottery.



Saturday evening, November 25th — a live TV presentation of Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships competitions, then in progress in Olomouc, Czechoslovakia, were shown in the Sportsplatz lobby. The best gymnasts, including Gigova, Bulgarian World's Champion, vied with each other for first place.

Sunday, November 26th — during the early afternoon, before leaving for home, we saw the live TV finals in Olomouc. Gigova again was a winner because of her flawless execution. USSR's Sugurova surpassed Gigova in difficulty and technique, but not without faults. Results of the competitors were: four events all-around: ball, jump rope, hoop, ribbon.

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| 1 GIGOVA (Bulgaria) — 39 pts.  | 2 SUGUROVA, (USSR) — 38.00     |
| 3 KLINGEROVA (CSSR) — 38.50,   | 4 PATOCZKOVA (Hungary) — 38.30 |
| 5 PINTADOVA (Rumania) — 37.45, | 6 CZERWINSKA (Poland) — 37.10  |

Junior Championships (ages up to 15) were also held. A 2-member team was included in the program.

We witnessed exquisite artistry and interpretation of music, amplitude, high extensions, elevation, piroettes, leaps, together with skilful handling of apparatus all blended into delightful compositions. The Flats Hall podium in Olomouc, Czechoslovakia, upon which the competition took place, was surrounded by masses of cameramen and onlookers.

We brought home with us a wealth of material and ideas we are anxious to teach — Nora took films of much of the work given during the week and I tried to record all progressions as they were presented.

REMARKS: Translators were good, but waiting for 3 or more translators did consume time, although no other recourse was possible. Most members agreed that more demonstrators could have helped, also that discussions regarding given scores on judging should have been held. Oral test questions were not always translated clearly, making it difficult to answer within a given time.

Mrs. Andriene Gotta closed the school on Saturday afternoon, with hopes that the members who had attended gained knowledge that would be of value to them in their future work.

#### REMINDER:

**MODERN RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS to be held in Rotterdam, Netherlands — November 15 — 18, 1973**

AND

**THE FIRST MODERN GYMNASTIC NATIONAL COMPETITION to be held May 5th, 1973 (see page 18 of this publication)**

## MASTERS OF SPORT

Pictured below is Mr. Frank Gare, presenting the FIRST U.S.G.F. "MASTER OF SPORTS" Award to Mr. Wettstone and Mr. Cumiskey. They were both born and raised in New Jersey, were members of the Swiss Gymnastics Society together, and now have received this coveted award together.



Frank J. Cumiskey

Frank L. Gare

Eugene Wettstone

The following text is reprinted from their "WHO'S WHO", which portrays some of their accomplishments.

**"CUMISKEY, FRANK J.** - Born: 9-6-12 - Address: Box 4686, Tucson, AZ 85717 -

Mr. Cumiskey was over 25 National Championships including 5 All-Around, 7 Side Horse, 7 Horizontal Bar, and at least one Championship on the other 4 events. He was a member of 3 Olympic Gymnastics Teams, 1932, 1936 and 1948. The American team was 2nd in 1932 and Mr. Cumiskey finished 8th on the Side Horse in 1948. He was manager and Judge at the 1952 Games and also has judged at the World and Pan-American Games. He has been an expert at many International and National Judges "Courses". Mr. Cumiskey is retired from the U.S. Post Office Department, Washington D.C. and is currently the Executive Director of the National Gymnastics Judges Association and Technical Director of the United States Gymnastics Federation."

**"WETTSTONE, EUGENE** - Born: 7-15-13 - Address: Recreation Hall, Penn State Univ., University Park, Pa. 16802

Mr. Wettstone has been gymnastics coach and professor of Physical Education at the Penn State University since 1938. 8 NCAA Team titles and 17 EIGL Team titles. 3 NAAMU Team titles, 36 NCAA individual titles, 11 Olympians, Coach of the Cuban National Team 1948, Swedish Ling (Gold) award, Blue Cross of Finland from Finnish Educational Opt. Coach of the Year, Helms Hall of Fame, 29 years on U.S. Olympic Committee, 19 years on NCAA Rules Committee, U.S. Olympic Coach 1948-56, Olympic Judge '52 to '68, National Coach 1960-72. He organized eight Foreign Tours of European Gymnastic Teams to the U.S.A."

The American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation has recently assigned the task of editing a forthcoming publication, "WHAT RESEARCH TELLS THE COACH ABOUT GYMNASTICS", to A. B. Frederick (University of Wisconsin - Superior) and Or Pat Bird (Ch. Dept of HPER, University of Virginia - Charlottesville). This publication will take its place in AAHPER's series devoted to research generalizations which are useful to the coach.

In an effort to involve as many people as possible in this project, the Editors have asked that those members of the gymnastic community who have completed research projects (Master's theses, Doctoral dissertations, other sponsored research) send them abstracts of their work so that these may be incorporated into the publication. Statistical data is not required. The advantage in communicating directly with the Editors is that the researcher will have the opportunity to let them know directly what they feel the value of their work might be to coaches and why.

For example, a direct report from some of those who have completed cinematographical studies indicates that broad generalizations are not often possible but that such people, none-the-less, were in a better position to estimate the value of certain methodology etc. It is such "off the cuff" material that the Editors are looking for since abstracts for most unpublished research are available.

Will you kindly share your expertise with the Editors? All cooperation will be acknowledged appropriately in the publication. SEND TO - A. B. FREDERICK, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - SUPERIOR, WISCONSIN 54880

# DATES TO REMEMBER



USSF CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE U.S.A. FOR WOMEN - (Seattle, Washington) - MAY 3,4,5, 1973

USSF CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE U.S.A. FOR MEN - (Penn State Univ) MAY 3,4,5, 1973

EUROPEAN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN - (Grenoble, France) - MAY 12, 13, 1973

BRAZILIAN INTERNATIONAL INVITATIONAL:	(Rio de Janeiro)	(Paris Aigue)	(Oss, France)
	MAY 16-17	MAY 18,19	MAY 21, 22

"PETITE GYMNASTRAADA" - (Ludwig, Germany)- JUNE 7 to 11, 1973

GERMAN TURNFEST - (Stuttgart, Germany) - JUNE 12 to 17, 1973

F.I.G. JUDGES COURSE - (Madrid, Spain) - JUNE 15, 1973

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2nd Annual (Antibes, France) - JUNE 16,17, 1973

WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES - (Moscow, USSR) - AUGUST 15 to 25, 1973

EUROPEAN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR WOMEN - (London, England) - OCTOBER 26, 27, 1973

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!** — THE NEW JERSEY GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION is celebrating its TENTH YEAR. HATS OFF to President — David Rovos, Secretary/Treasurer Helen Surson, Charter Members Jerry Krentz, Marvin Spindel and to all of the dedicated people who revved the sport of gymnastics in the state of New Jersey.

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THE UNITED STATES GYMNASTICS FEDERATION also celebrates its TENTH YEAR. MANY HAPPY RETURNS U.S.G.F. Just watchful thinking, of course, but is there really an arena big enough to hold all of the gymnasts in the U.S.A. who would attend the biggest Birthday Party ever?

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THE "WHO'S WHO" is at the printers and copies should be off the press and in the mail by the first part of March. Check your mailbox!

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**ANNOUNCING! — THE FIRST MODERN GYMNASTIC NATIONAL COMPETITION** sponsored by the UNITED STATES GYMNASTICS FEDERATION — Saturday, May 5, 1973 — George Williams College, 555 31st Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515 — **ELIGIBILITY** — Girls 12 and over — **ENTRY FEE** — \$3.00 — The following events are optional with compulsory elements: **EXERCISE WITHOUT APPARATUS, EXERCISE WITH HOOP, EXERCISE WITH RIBBON**, for further information, including compulsory elements entry forms, rules and regulations, listing of accommodations — **WRITE TO JANE JUREW, 710 S. Hampshire, Oak Park, IL 60304**

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★ Featured on the cover this month is Sydney Bare daughter of Frank Bare, outfitted in Western regalia. For those of you unfamiliar with the roots' tootin' West, February is Rodeo month in Tucson. The highlight of the month is Rodeo Week (Fiesta de las Vaqueiras) with top rodeos in the Rodeo world vying for honors and top money in the Rodeo. All Tucsonians go "Western" for this month and an enjoyable time is had by all.

## FOREIGN TEAMS IN THE UNITED STATES

HUNGARY will send a full contingent of Women and Men to visit the United States this year. Their Women's and Men's Gymnastics Teams will exhibit or engage in Unofficial matches and one Official Match in Penn State University. Their complete schedule follows:

February 16 - 17	Maine West High School	Des Plaines, Illinois
February 19 - 20	Indiana State University	Terre Haute, Indiana
February 23 - 24	Penn State University	University Park, Pa.
February 27	Temple University	Philadelphia, Pa.
March 3	New Haven Coliseum	New Haven, Conn.

RUMANIA will also send a full contingent of Women and Men to tour the United States this year. Their teams will engage in exhibitions, unofficial matches and one Official Match at the University of California in Berkeley, California. Their complete schedule follows:

February 21	East Stroudsburg State College	East Stroudsburg, Pa.
February 23	Liverpool High School	Liverpool, New York
February 25	University of Oregon	Eugene, Oregon
February 27-28	University of California	Berkeley, California
March 3	Lakewood High School	Denver, Colorado

The JAPANESE High School Boy's Gymnastics Team will tour and their tentative schedule is as follows:

March 17	San Jose, California
March 19	Phoenix, Arizona
March 22	Albuquerque, N.M.
March 26-27	Denver, Colo.
March 29	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
March 31	Chicago, Ill.

The FRENCH National Teams will appear in April, from the 19th to the 29th, and their schedule at present includes the Philadelphia area and the University of New Hampshire.

The RUSSIAN Men's and Women's Gymnastic Teams will give seven exhibitions from March 10th to March 23rd, in large auditoriums in these cities - March 10th in the Astradome in Houston; Washington, D.C., Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, Buffalo, and concluding March 23rd at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

# Looking Backward

## Article 2 — 1948 OLYMPIC WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS TEAM

Article number 1 (Looking Backward) concerned the Women's Olympic Team in Berlin, Germany in 1936. Due to the second World War, there was no Olympic Competition in 1940 and 1944, although they are counted as numbers 12 and 13, since they receive a number even if not held. During the period from 1936 to 1948, there were some changes made in Women's events. The Women had to do Two Team events — one free-hand and one with hand apparatus, such as ropes, ribbons, balls, etc., as is done today in Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics — and rings were added and the uneven parallel bars were dropped.

Eighteen months before the Games, a sub-committee, with broad powers, was appointed for the Women, to supervise the training and preparation of the Women's Team and it appears from the official reports that some of the same problems we have today, existed then. QUOTE: "The committee had many obstacles in Technical work that can be eliminated in the future. Actually, the interference of outsiders with little knowledge, made the task more difficult than the technical problems themselves. Weekly training sessions were instituted for all those desiring to participate. The discipline which was followed, enabled the candidates better to learn the work required for Olympic Competition." EDITOR'S NOTE: At this time the majority of Women Gymnasts were located from Chicago East to New York, and it was possible to get many of the Girls together for this program, and of the 8 members of the Team, only one was from Chicago and the rest from Philadelphia or New York areas.

The Olympic Competition was scheduled to be held out-of-doors, as it was in 1936, but it had to be postponed for three days because of rain and was finally held indoors in Engage Hall in London and it was never scheduled to be held outdoors again. The following is taken from the official report concerning the Games and it sounds as familiar as the results of the latest games (1972):

"In the eleven-meter contest, Sweden proved to be the chief threat. But such confusion prevailed in the officiating and judging that the conduct of the women's events was little short of chaotic. The International Gymnastic Federation had given the ladies authority to carry on the women's work. A number of the women judges were rationally inclined and possessed scarcely any working knowledge of the sport and its rules. As a result, near-perfect marks were given to mediocre performances by the Hungarians and Czechs. This was especially obvious on the vaulting horse and balancing beam, as well as the rings. The performance of the Czech girls on the flying rings, however, was excellent; perhaps the only high marks they rightfully earned.

Throughout the competition members of the men's technical committee had to be called in by protesting managers when the judges' marks varied up to five points. In one case, CLARA SCHROTH, U.S.A., executed the required exercises on the rings Count D'Alvella, president of the F.I.G., Dr. Klinger, president of the technical committee, and Messrs. Bodlaert and Henegs (both of the men's technical committee) regarded Miss Schroth's performance as rating a 9.5. The marks actually given were 8.3, 8.4, 9.0 and 7.3; the official score average was 8.33.

These officials later admitted that women were not qualified to act as judges. They agreed that this should not be done in the future. Madame Pripavskova, president of the women's section of the F.I.G., acted as referee. But she was never on hand when a protest was made, and there were many of them. She kept close to her own Czech team. One of the women judges frankly admitted that she wanted her marks to stand, and for this reason she was endeavoring to strike a medium. This meant that it was more important to her to build a reputation as a judge than to judge fairly and without reservations. This same judge began an event by marking a 10.0 maximum exercise with 13.1. Such extraordinary conditions handicapped our women's team seriously throughout the competition."

The following are the results of this Competition, and, as you can see, Miss Helen Schifano (Helen Spasen) an authority, author, judge, organizer, in gymnastics today, was high scorer. The girls were all great and a 3rd place team medal resulted.

Gymnast (Country)	Event	Place/Points
Bikini, Lailany A. (USA)	Balance Beam	21.40 pts
	Side Horse	20.20 pts
	Rings	8.40 pts
Baran, Marian T. (USA)	Team - USA 3rd	60.10 pts
	Balance Beam	20.50 pts
	Side Horse	21.15 pts
Galen, Dorothy C. (USA)	Rings	8.60 pts
	Team - USA 3rd	60.30 pts
	Balance Beam	21.20 pts
Hill, Miss (USA)	Side Horse	18.50 pts
	Rings	7.40 pts
	Team - USA 3rd	67.65 pts
Linn, Gertrude C. (USA)	Balance Beam	22.40 pts
	Side Horse	20.10 pts
	Rings	8.60 pts
Linn, Gertrude C. (USA)	Team - USA 3rd	50.90 pts
	Balance Beam	20.60 pts
	Side Horse	20.90 pts
Schiffers, Helen (USA)	Rings	7.60 pts
	Team - USA 3rd	46.10 pts
	Balance Beam	22.70 pts
Schiffers, Helen (USA)	Side Horse	21.30 pts
	Rings	7.60 pts
	Team - USA 3rd	51.70 pts
Schiffers, Helen (USA)	Balance Beam	22.40 pts
	Side Horse	22.30 pts
	Rings	8.35 pts
Schiffers, Helen (USA)	Team - USA 3rd	51.00 pts
	Balance Beam	18.70 pts
	Side Horse	22.20 pts
Schiffers, Helen (USA)	Rings	7.80 pts
	Team - USA 3rd	47.93 pts
Bartlett, Mrs. Robert (USA)		Chapman Leader
Hale, George B. (USA)		Cheer
Schiffers, Joseph (USA)		Cheer

## WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

COUNTRY	Team Free	Compulsory Beam	Compulsory Vault	Compulsory Rings	Voluntary Beam	Voluntary Vault	Team Ear- can Hand Apparatus	Total	Best Two Lower Scores	Net Total
1 Czechoslovakia	82.8	83.6	83.26	79.22	112.8	105.96	65.63	540.0	52.50	440.48
2 Hungary	82.76	86.16	82.06	82.36	113.4	98.5	60.4	528.8	68.26	440.54
3 U.S.A.	82.2	81.6	82.66	84.0	106.4	104.64	68.36	518.95	50.46	428.49
4 Sweden	80.8	88.9	82.36	82.16	105.3	111.26	62.7	534.15	66.2	417.95
5 Rumania	81.54	82.10	84.22	87.1	99.85	101.26	61.53	480.2	80.85	409.35
6 Austria	82.0	88.07	81.86	87.8	103.0	100.06	63.8	489.27	83.23	406.04
7 Yugoslavia	81.0	82.2	88.06	82.16	85.76	96.8	67.7	483.96	66.06	397.9
8 Italy	81.4	82.85	82.55	80.0	106.46	88.66	61.2	463.1	69.5	393.6
9 Great Britain	80.1	87.68	84.8	80.1	97.85	90.50	44.35	452.6	69.46	383.14
10 France	80.3	81.7	80.0	81.88	103.06	100.18	48.2	467.18	82.0	385.18
11 Belgium	82.46	82.7	82.4	82.22	80.28	87.06	64.3	411.7	67.8	343.9



France's Gymnastic Team: (L. to R.) Lailany Bikini, Anna Schiffer, Marian Baran, Dorothy Galen, Miss Hill, Clara Schiffers, Gertrude Linn, Helen Schiffers

## PUZZLE PAGE

The following test should be completed in 15 minutes. Before you start, place your watch in front of you. A score of 6 is good, 8 or more is excellent. Send your answer as quickly as possible, get in the wing. LISA J SLAUGHTER of Studio City, California submitted the correct answer first for the December Puzzle and will receive the USGF Coffee Mug.

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10. In one corner of a field there are 7% haystacks. In the second corner, there are 2% haystacks. In the third corner 2% haystacks. In the fourth corner 1% haystacks. When the Farmer puts all the haystacks together, how many will we have?.....

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